Center for Coastal Studies

**Senior Biologist -Right Whale Ecology Program**

**Category:** Full Time, Salaried position (40 hours per week)

**Program:** Right Whale Ecology Program (RWEP)

**Supervisor:** Executive Director

**Summary:** The Center for Coastal Studies (CCS) undertakes conservation-oriented research in the marine environment, including longitudinal studies of endangered large whales. The Senior Biologist/ Ecologist will work on our long-term demographic and ecological study of North Atlantic right whales in Cape Cod Bay, a critical habitat off the coast of Massachusetts. The RWEP has performed right whale habitat-focused studies via the Center’s research vessels since 1984. Beginning in 1998, photo-identification of individual whales has been performed annually as part of research on population biology, ecology and human impacts. This position would include strengthening the existing program and developing new initiatives. This is a full-time salaried position with benefits. Anticipated start date is Fall 2023. Rate of pay will be $75k-$80k and will be commensurate with experience.

**General Responsibilities:**

* Manage all contracts and permits associated with the program;
* Supervise the reporting, analysis, and presentation of data as required by contracts;
* Assist with hiring and managing all program staff;
* Insure staff is properly trained on safety requirements;
* Management of contractual charter agreements;
* Assist with organization of the program’s annual and contractual budgets;
* Collaborate with other programs and institutions as needed;
* Solicit grants and contracts;
* Work with flight coordinator and research associate to schedule aerial and vessel surveys;
* Manage equipment and equipment purchases;
* Encourage the publication of research results in peer-reviewed journals.

**Requirements:**

* Doctorate preferred; Masters degree with ten years of comparable experience in a relevant biological field and at least 5 years of comparable research

 and project management experience required;

* Experience in grant writing and proof of successful previous grant rewards;
* Experience in government and privately funded contracts with lead PI experience;

**Application process:**

Please submit cover letter, CV/resume, and three professional references in a single PDF via

email to employment@coastalstudies.org. The application deadline is August 18, 2023 and applications will be considered as received. No phone calls, please.

**The Center for Coastal Studies is an Equal Opportunity Employer**

**and encourages candidates of all backgrounds to apply.**

**Diversity of opinions, experience, and backgrounds is a key asset.**